Economic Development Committee Report to Council - February 2016

#	Activity	Status	Responsible EDC Member
1	Signage Project	Design completed with final wording on the Governor's Walk sign between Irish Eyes and The Mercantile buildings. Project is out for bid and could be finished in February or March. No Further Update	Alex Donnan
2	Sustainability Subcommittee	The Sustainability Subcommittee of the EDC has approved a plan of action that was included in the January committee reports for Council and Mayor's review and discussion. After a discussion with the Mayor and Council at a workshop on January 20, the subcommittee, in accordance with the submitted plan, will work on material to submit to the Town Clerk for inclusion on the Town Web Site. The subcommittee will also continue planning for town wide events and and associated expenditure requirements. The subcommittee will also be approaching the town staff, through the town clerk, to discuss sustainability topics.	Michela Coffaro/ Bob Howard
3	EDC New Business Ambassador Role	The term 'Advisor' was replaced with 'Ambassador' as the EDC member will have not authority to advise the business owner about how to open a business in Milton but will be solely there as an 'ambassador' for the town. A revised document was sent to Mr. Collier and Mrs. Rogers for their review.	Steve Crawford/ Bob Howard
4	Commercial Property Inventory	Work began on the creation of a commercial property inventory for the purpose of assisting anybody with identifying commercial property opportunities. This list is expected to include information at will be helpful to prospective business owners and real estate interests. A draft of the inventory categories was sent to Mr. Collier for his review and feedback. During the January EDC meeting, Melody Booker-Wilkins, the Sussex County Director of Economic Development stated the there is a database already created by the Delaware Economic Development Office. Steve Crawford will investigate.	Steve Crawford
5	Investigate Water Taxi Boat Dock Feasibility	The Council has advised the EDC that a previous contact between Greg Wingo and the Water Taxi Owner needs to be pursued before the EDC does any more investigation.	Bob Howard
6	Economic Development Plan	At the January EDC meeting, Melody Booker-Wilkins, the Sussex County Director of Economic Development attended to hear about a potential economic development plan and to offer insight and advice on next steps.	Jim Crellin/ Bob Howard